[Nfbnet-members-list] Legislative Alert: TIME Act Calls Needed

Dear Colleagues:

Congress will be in session just a little while longer to complete its business before members return home for the 2016 political campaign. While still

at the Capitol, members of Congress are in a position to cosponsor the TIME Act (H.R. 188 and S. 2001).

We are asking you to make three phone calls: one to your House member and one to each of your two senators. The only senators who have sponsored this bill

are Kelly Ayotte of New Hampshire and Michael Bennett of Colorado, which means that those of you in New Hampshire or Colorado will only need to call one

senator. Everyone else should still call both of their senators.

On the House side, there are already seventy-one supporters of this bill which are listed by state in the first attachment. You only need to call your

representative if they do not appear on this list. If you are unsure of whom your members of Congress are, please contact Melissa Kroeger. She can be reached

by phone at (410) 659-9314, extension 2207 or by email at

mkroeger@nfb.org.

You can also reach your member of Congress by calling the Capitol Switchboard at (202) 224-3121. When you call the Switchboard, you will be asked whether

you are calling to speak to a House member or Senate member. When you select Senate, you will be asked your state and be provided with the names of your

senators. When you select House of Representatives, you will be asked for your ZIP code and the system will then provide you with the name of your representative.

Once connected, I suggest you say something such as: “Hi, my name is….and I am a constituent of Representative/Senator Last Name. I am calling to urge

Representative/Senator Last Name to cosponsor H.R. 188/S. 2001, the TIME Act. This bill will help people like me and other people with disabilities compete

equally in the workforce. ”

If you have time, in addition to calling, it would also be useful to send an email to the legislative director of your senators and representative. You

can obtain this person’s name and email address when making the call described above.

Attached are four sample emails. Two are directed towards senators and representatives from the Republican Party and two are directed towards senators

and representatives from the Democratic Party. You will need to add the name of the legislative director and the last name of the representative or senator

in the appropriate bracketed areas. Please be sure to review and customize the email template before sending it and CC Kimie Beverly on all correspondence.

Kimie’s email is kbeverly@nfb.org.

Fellow Federationists, I know we have been working on this issue for a long time, but the dialogue is clearly shifting in our favor. Let us continue the

work until we enjoy the same protections under our nation's wage laws as all other Americans do.

Yours in the family,

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of blind people, because low expectations create obstacles between blind people and our dreams. You can live the life you want; blindness is not what holds

you back.

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